

WE GET THE PHONES.

Franchise Granted to the Harrison Telephone Company.

THE DISPOSAL OF CITY REFUSE.

It Will Be Empty Into the Middle of the River Hereafter—Other Council Matters.

The Harrison Telephone company was granted a franchise to operate in Topeka in competition with the Missouri & Kansas Telephone company, by the city council last night.

Since the Harrison company first asked for a franchise a month ago, their entrance has been opposed not only by the rival company but other corporations with wires now overhead. These companies had agents present at all the meetings of the ways and means committee when the franchise was under consideration. They asked for ample "protection" from the new company, in case their wires should become crossed and torn them out.

Eugene Quinton, the attorney for the Mulvane telephone, and R. M. Gage of the street railway company, were present and repeated their demands for "protection." Mr. Quinton said he was before the council this time not as Mr. Mulvane's lawyer but as a private citizen. He spoke about the great harm that might arise from the addition to the present multiplicity of wires and said the bond should be at least \$25,000.

This made A. K. Hodgson, one of the Harrison telephone people, mad. He said Mr. Quinton was not there as a private citizen but as the paid attorney of a rival corporation. He denounced what he called Mr. Quinton's "private citizen speech." He urged the councilmen to "be men." He asked the corporations and treat us as citizens with money to invest. Treat us as you would want to be treated if you were in our places.

R. M. Gage said the matter of an indemnity bond was of great importance to the city and he wanted it given the careful consideration it deserved.

S. J. Bear said: "The Bell telephone people are trying every scheme they can to hamper us and this matter of a bond is one of them. We are willing to do the right thing and protect all the interests of the city, but we object to having the terms of an entrance dictated by our enemies. I expect a law with the other telephone before 60 days."

The matter of the indemnity bond was discussed thoroughly. Mr. Bradford said: "This franchise is to last for twenty years and we should be sure-footed. There has been too much laxity." He said section 3, which is attached to the bond, was a legal trap that would cause trouble.

The bond was finally agreed upon for \$15,000 during the two years of construction and a \$3,000 bond to be maintained thereafter. Other features of the ordinance were left about as the ways and means committee had introduced. When the ordinance came up its final passage all of the ten members voted aye, but Mr. Bradford explained that he did so with a mental reservation.

For Water Investigation.

The water supply of Topeka and the rates charged therefor is to be a matter for investigation by the city council. Col. Burgess has heard reports that the Water Supply company has raised its prices in several localities and he says that inasmuch as the prices are regulated not only by ordinance, but by statute, this can be stopped.

With a view to correcting this evil Mr. Burgess introduced the following resolution, which was adopted: "Resolved, That the committee on finance and waterworks is hereby directed and authorized to investigate the water supply and the rate charged for water against the city and inhabitants thereof, and report thereon at their next meeting, and the committee on finance and waterworks should be taken by the city of Topeka concerning this matter."

To Remove Tracks.

The lines of street-car and other tracks that have been abandoned will be removed. The council ordered the street commissioner last night to remove them without delay. The old tracks on East Fifth street, and the West Side Circle railway tracks are specified especially. The resolution to this effect, from the pen of Col. Burgess, reads:

"Resolved, That the street commissioner is hereby instructed to remove from the streets of the city of Topeka, all car tracks, rails, ties and stringers, not operated upon during the past year, particularly the street-car tracks in North Topeka, except on Kansas avenue, the West Side Circle tracks on Jackson street, and the track on East Fifth street. The same are now and long have been a nuisance."

The Dump Bought.

Those who have in municipal ownership of street railways and other necessities, will be pleased to learn that the city has bought and will hereafter operate its own city dump. This dump was bought of Col. Dunham last night for \$250, one-half of which is paid down and the other half July 15th.

The dump will be operated as heretofore, except that the charge for the use of it will be reduced to a point just sufficient to cover the actual expense of operation. The dump is a mile east of the city. It is a patent arrangement with a cable stretched across the river whereby all the city refuse matter is dumped into the river. The patent has sixteen more years to run. Col. Dunham "threw in" an extra cable.

Council Matters.

All of the councilmen were present. Mayor Harrison called Mr. Ruttinger to the chair at 10:30, as he had to catch the Rock Island train.

By resolution from Mr. Fulton it was voted to repair the well at Tenth street and Topeka avenue.

The bond of Charles Vanderpool, the license collector, in the sum of \$500, with A. W. Knowles and C. W. Jewell as sureties, was approved.

The ditch at Seventeenth and West streets was ordered to be filled up by the street commissioner.

It was voted to accept the proposition of H. S. Clark, and remove the city scales from the city jail yard to 219 West 5th.

Claims to the amount of \$592.04 were allowed and ordered paid.

The petition of sixty-one people for the opening of First street in Kline's addition, was referred to the streets and walks committee.

W. H. Bennington appeared for Nick North, the deputy commissioner of elections, to ask the council to pay the bill of \$80 back salary. The council declined to do so.

F. M. Bonebrake and nineteen others,

petitioned for sidewalks in several locations at the west end of Third ward. The petition was referred.

It was agreed that the National Association of Charities and Correction would be invited to meet in Topeka in 1895 or 1896.

A petition for a manhole at the alley between Clay and Buchanan on Eleventh street was referred.

The petition of W. S. Charles to build a corn-crib next door to the natatorium (inside the fire limit) received an unfavorable report from the committee.

The ways and means committee recommended that the market-house ordinance be placed on file. It has been in that committee's pigeon-hole for over a year and Chairman Fellows got tired of seeing it there.

E. W. Ruse and nearly 100 others petitioned that Richard Boyd be restored to his old place as guard of the rockpile or given some other place. They say Boyd was injured in the service of the city and the city is morally bound to take care of him. The matter was referred to the mayor with power to act.

Mr. Holman's resolution ordering the police commissioners to discontinue their sanitary policemen and detail from having books or records printed, was adopted. The double-carrolled sanitary force is getting expensive.

S. P. Hawkins' bond for \$200, for the completion of the repairs on the electric light plant, was approved.

The ordinance to prevent boys from loitering in the streets at night was referred to the ways and means committee. Mr. Stevens suggested that "girls should be included" in the ordinance, so "boys" will probably be changed to "persons."

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Too beautiful girl.
A proposal you make,
She promptly rejects you,
That's called a fair chase.

The fishing season is with us.
The umbrella season is having a spring opening.

The high school students have a holiday on Friday.

There was a large ring around the moon last night.

There are four colored ministers in the Ministerial union.

Topeka Commandery No. 3 will elect officers this evening.

The deputy city assessors receive \$9 a day for their services.

A musical recital was given at Washburn college last evening.

Since St. Patrick's day the grass has turned several shades greener.

Only 4,500 voters have registered and the books will close Friday night.

J. J. Butt will send his bond on to Washington tomorrow, to be approved.

The registration books will be closed Friday night. Register now if you want to vote.

The Philharmonic club met yesterday afternoon at the residence of ex-Gov. Crawford.

It cost Shawnee county \$338.48 to print the ballots at the last general election. Topeka pays \$370 of it.

The Equal Suffragists are holding a picnic meeting this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. D. W. Hanne.

Joe Coughlan was bound over to the district court last evening by Justice Barry, in the nickle-in-the-slot machine case.

Night services begin at the Church of the Assumption on Wednesday evening and will continue the remainder of the week.

It is believed that the monthly stamp bill at the state house will be \$25 a month less since the presentation of Charles Smith.

Mrs. J. Ellen Foster will address the meeting of the Woman's Republican League which will be held in Topeka, Thursday, April 5th.

R. B. Welch has gone to Holton to assist the county attorney of Jackson county in the prosecution of three violators of the prohibitory law.

Judge Hazen has ordered Nick North to pay \$10 into court within ten days for attorney's fees, pending the trial of Mrs. North's application for a divorce.

Mrs. Dr. Hayland, Mrs. Mary E. Lease, private secretary, has returned from the Pacific coast, where she went to arrange a lecture tour for Mrs. Lease.

The lease on the A. O. U. W. hall at 415 Kansas avenue expires on July 1 and it will be vacated and new quarters procured. It is probable that the old Masonic rooms at Seventh and the avenue will be selected.

The \$1,750 paid by Frank Dorein into the county treasury, goes into the school fund and makes nearly 10 cents per capita for the school children of the city.

There will be a meeting of lawn tennis enthusiasts in A. L. Williams' law office Wednesday, to organize for Topeka's representation in the Western Tennis league.

The Joe A. J. Martin contest for the seat in the United States senate, now occupied by Martin, will have a hearing before the senate investigation committee next Tuesday.

This is self-denial week for the Salvation army, and two Washburn college girls are going to walk home from school every day this week and give the carfare to the Salvation army.

LOCAL MENTION.

Mrs. Frank Bowen, Mrs. Anna McArthur and Mrs. Madie Knight are deputy city assessors.

The Golden Star entertainment given for the benefit of Capitanita Hunkah, aged No. 219 last night netted \$33.58 for the lodge.

The Rock Island is said to be contemplating building a cut-off on its Omaha-Texas line between Beatrice and Herington, thereby shortening the distance between Omaha and Fort Worth over 100 miles.

Arthur Long, a boy who resides with his mother at 1023 Madison street, was accidentally shot Sunday evening, at the corner of Eighth and Madison, by his brother, who was loading a revolver.

The ball struck the boy in the leg just above the ankle.

The Santa Fe is now paying its taxes in full in all counties where a compromise was not effected, and is also paying the 5 per cent penalty. The company saved enough in the compromise effected to enable it to pay the additional penalty and then make money.

Burglars visited two Roseville stores Sunday night. At the store of Wm. L. Lisko canned goods and clothing were taken, and the Roseville Mercantile store was robbed of canned goods, candy and cigars, and 85 cents in change was taken from the postoffice money drawer.

STEVENSON & CO.,

717 and 719 Kansas Avenue.

A BEAUTIFUL EXHIBITION OF NEW SILK AND WOOL GOODS

We take pride in presenting to the public our assortment of new spring goods for the season of '94.

Words fail to describe their beauty. They must be seen to give you anywhere near an idea of what they are—what an assortment. We court the closest inspection of our goods and under the most favorable condition. You can see them under the best light of day, so that you have no trouble whatever in matching or telling just what shade or quality you are purchasing.

Silks.

Moires in black and colors.
Black Brocade Satin Duchess at \$1, \$1.38 and \$1.75.
China Brocade Silks at 75c, 90c and \$1.
Brocades, Changeable, Taffeta, Surah, China and Louisine for waists and garnitures.

Printed China Silks from 25c to \$1 a yard.
Habituat Silks, a beautiful Silk for summer waists.
Kafutsuke Crepe, the New York craze, in black and colors, only 48c.

China Silk, waterproof finish, very popular silk for summer wear.

The indications are that the coming season will be Great Silk Season.

We have made special effort to get a fine and large assortment of Silk fabrics.

Plain Black Silk. Our stock is complete with special values.

Satin Duchess, Satin Rhadema, Peau de soie, Crystal, Faille Francaise.

Spring is here and we are ready for you with a full line of spring and summer fabrics. Our Black Wool Goods stock is more complete than ever, new styles, new weaves that are our own importations. The new fabrics are revelations.

Colored Wool Goods.

We will mention only two special bargains. 45-in. India Twill and Henriettas, worth 75c, for 59c.

STEVENSON & CO. DRY GOODS, CARPETS AND MILLINERY.

Easter Opening this Week.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY.

A Beautiful Exhibition of Spring Millinery.

Nowhere in this country will you find a handsomer or more beautiful display of Millinery than we will show you Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

This Popular Department.

Under the management of Miss Holman, who has spent the past six weeks searching the eastern markets for everything new and of the latest design is deserving of success. We are more than pleased with her purchase and can assure you that with this complete stock to select from and her knowledge and artistic ideas you will be more pleased than ever before with her productions.

Flowers.

Our Flowers this season will cause a great talk; such perfect imitations of nature as are seldom seen, positively nowhere else, except in our perfect millinery department.

Fine Roses. Fine Wreaths. Fine Sprays.

A pretty, pretty flower garden spread out on a table before you.

LOVERS OF BEAUTY

Fine here the prettiest of Spring Goods.

LOVERS OF FASHION

Find here the Latest and Best Styles.

LOVERS OF ECONOMY

Find here a thousand ways of saving money. Everybody finds here just what they desire in the proper quality and at the proper price.

Easter Gloves and Neckwear.

We are showing a beautiful line of these goods and can save you some money.

WILLITS IS BITTER.

He Says Lewelling Will Never Be Governor Again,

NOR HOLD ANY OTHER OFFICE

At the Hands of the People's Party of Kansas—He Says Lewelling Has to Go.

John E. Willits, the retired chairman of the state board of pardons, was in Topeka a few hours yesterday afternoon and although he visited the statehouse, he did not call on the governor.

To a STATE JOURNAL reporter Mr. Willits said: "I am traveling all over the state and I am making speeches everywhere. I am working in the interest of the Aid degree of the Alliance. I have just been appointed national lecturer for several western states, and I already have engagements to talk in fifty counties in Kansas during the next three months."

"Do you talk any politics?" asked the reporter.

"Yes, I have to talk politics, the people won't listen to anything else."

"What do you tell them about state politics?"

"I tell them what I have been telling everybody all along, that Lewelling will never again be governor of Kansas. I talk just as plain as I did before I was removed, and I do just as much talking against the methods of the administration as I did then."

"I was surprised when I was notified of my removal, although I shouldn't have been. I was at McPherson when I received a letter from his royal highness saying that my resignation as chairman of the board of pardons would be accepted. I immediately sat down and wrote out my resignation and forwarded it to him by return mail."

"Lewelling will never be elected to any office in the state again, by the People's party and I am doing all I can to let the people of our party know just what kind of a man he is. Lewelling has to go and that is settled."

During Willits' visit in the city he called on Editor Chapman of the Press and gave him a piece of his mind in regard to the editorial published in the Press immediately following his removal from office. Speaking of his interview with Editor Chapman, Mr. Willits said: "I guess he knows now what I think of him."

A CARD AND COMMENTS.

The Exact Status of Breckinridge and the Church.

To the Editor of the State Journal.

In your paper of yesterday the following sentences occur in an editorial: "Col. Breckinridge is a pillar in the Presbyterian church."

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Col. Breckinridge, by his assistance and eloquence, alone secured the defeat of Dr. Briggs."

Will you permit me to make a correction? Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge, to whom you refer and who now figures so conspicuously in the suit at Washington City, is not a member of our branch of the Presbyterian church. He has never been a member of our assembly, nor had anything to do with the Briggs case. This was another, and a purer man, Judge S. M. Breckinridge of St. Louis, who is now dead. S. B. ANDERSON.

The authority for the JOURNAL's statement is the Washington correspondent of the New York World. The association of Col. Breckinridge with the Briggs case is evidently a mistake growing out of the fact that Judge Breckinridge of St. Louis was concerned in the celebrated heresy trial. Col. Breckinridge of Kentucky, is unfortunately a "pillar of the Presbyterian church," being an elder in the Second Presbyterian church of Lexington, Kentucky, and that church which belongs to the Presbyterian church South, is in deep sorrow over the subject. Few churches or men, escape the disgrace that some black sheep in the flock bring upon the great body of the good people in the church. The great Methodist denomination is today sore over the downfall of one of its members, McKane of New York, recently sent to the penitentiary for committing the most notorious election frauds in history. These unworthy members of religious bodies stand out boldly, because they are among many saints and worthy, conscientious practical Christians in the church. No organization is free from them. The twelve apostles felt keenly the disgrace of one of their number. The churches do not always cast out and condemn the scape-graces in their ranks. It often remains for the worldly to tear away the cloak of religion sheltering an unworthy subject.

MAKING MONEY FAST.

State Officials Won't Look for Wealth After They Get Out.

Fred J. Cline and Van B. Prather have returned from the Indian Territory, where they have been inspecting the lead and zinc mines owned by the officers of this administration.

They have fifteen square miles of mining lands in the territory and Auditor Prather says they have already been offered \$6,000 for half interest in their lead mines.

The last administration was in the mining business, but theirs were silver and gold mines in Colorado.

Malaria is one of the most insidious of health destroyers. Hood's Sarsaparilla counteracts its deadly poison and builds up the system.

Peerless Steam Laundry at 113 and 115 West 8th.

D. Holmes, druggist, 731 Kansas ave.

WHOOPLA JONES.

"Buffalo" of the Jones Scheme Getting His Work In at Galveston.

The Galveston News of Sunday publishes the following:

Mr. C. J. Jones, chief of construction of the Gulf and Interstate railway, which is to build its line from the Gulf of Mexico at Galveston northward to Manitoba, was busily engaged yesterday getting in shape for the beginning of active work on Bolivar on Monday morning. He brought his family with him this trip, and announces that he has come to push things right through with a vim. He says that all the machinery, camp equipment, tools, etc., all of the latest and best patterns, are now on their way here, a telegram received Wednesday advising him of the departure of the last car of tools, etc., from Topeka that day for Galveston.

"You have no idea what a stir this railroad enterprise is creating all over the country," said Mr. Jones to a News reporter. "Why, during my last trip north I was questioned by hundreds about the work, and just as soon as the first spadeful of dirt is turned over yonder on Bolivar you can look out for an astonishing rush of people to this city. They are coming, sure, thousands of them. At least 800 will come here from Perry, Oklahoma, as soon as work begins, and from Chicago there will be a great crowd. At every place I visited, people—merchants, land speculators and mechanics—hunted me up to inquire about Texas and this road, and when I told them that the road was surely going to be built, they said that they wanted to come here. And we are going to build, I can tell you. On Monday next dirt will begin to fly, and we are going to push right on to Beaumont. We have everything arranged for but the steel, and our general manager is now on east making a deal for that. We have two or more propositions to furnish the steel but are waiting to make better terms for it, which I am satisfied we will be able to do. We are asking the people of Galveston to put up nothing for this road until we get our work of construction to a connection with the Southern Pacific at Beaumont, and then we will ask them to come up with what they have promised us."

Mr. Jones added that the cities and newspapers that had ridiculed and belittled this railroad scheme were becoming

convinced that it was a genuine and vigorous enterprise, and were beginning to sing another tune. He said he had taken no trouble to contradict or discuss the things that had been said about his road, but had contented himself with waiting until actual work should convince the croakers of their error.

How About Those Tools?

Col. Fred J. Cline, Governor Lewelling's private secretary, who is one of the directors of the Gulf & Inter State railroad and who has from the first been one of the prime movers of the scheme, was asked about the shipment of tools from Topeka, to which he replied: "Mr. Jones was mistaken about the tools being shipped from Topeka, they went through here last week but the tools and material were shipped from Nebraska."

"What point in Nebraska?" asked the reporter.

"I don't remember the name of the place but it is a little town north of Omaha; we have sent five car loads of material to Galveston. Part of it was from Dakota and part from Nebraska. That from Dakota went over the Missouri Kansas and Texas and that from Nebraska went over the Santa Fe."

J. ELLEN FOSTER COMING.

She Will Speak at Topeka April 5th, on "Principles of Republicanism."

The annual meeting of the Kansas Woman's Republican association will be held in Topeka on April 5. Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, president of the National Woman's Republican association, will be present to aid in the work of the convention and to deliver an address on the "Principles of Republicanism" on the evening of the 5th.

Mrs. Foster has been invited by several county central committees to speak in their counties during the three weeks following April 5.

How to Improve the Complexion.

Every lady that has used the celebrated Elder Flower Cream recommends it as a great beautifier. It removes freckles, tan, blotches, etc., and leaves the skin soft, clear and beautiful. For sale by J. K. Jones.

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